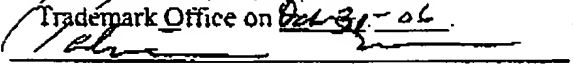


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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006, please amend the subject
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